

Bayfield-Ashland Counties
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 27, 2006

The April meeting of the Bayfield-Ashland Counties EMS Council was called to order by Dean Hambrecht, President of the Council. The meeting was held in the Gull/Stockton Island Rooms of MMC/Ashland.

MINUTES

Motion made by Dan Clark, seconded by Tam Hofman, to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT – Chuck Elton reported a balance of \$6,049.06 in the treasury. Four dues payments are outstanding. Medical Director payment of \$1,375 was made to Dr. Wesley for the first quarter of 2006.

Motion made by Ron Brendalen, seconded by Gary Victorson, to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR – Discussion about the medical director position, potential issues and progress toward receiving local medical direction. Additional discussion included need for timely dissemination of minutes to meetings and issues with moving forward with CPAP (continuous positive air pressure).

MDAC (Medical Director Advisory Committee) – The state CPAP protocol was reviewed. No action taken.

Dr. Wesley discussed pros and cons of CPAP devices, demonstrated the “portavent” delivery device, and discussed medical indications for use of CPAP. The training schedule for the weekend was reviewed. He explained that Wisconsin is the only state that allows use of CPAP at the Basic EMT level.

WITC – Cindy Lazarik reported the following:

CPR Instructor updates have been scheduled from 6 – 10 PM, May 18th and 24th.

Helicopter Landing Zone class scheduled for Glidden on May 8th. Register thru Cindy.

Diabetic Emergencies class is being taught by Deb Ollankato from 6-8 PM on May 16th in Room 306 for EMS week.

First Responder Refresher may be offered after June 11th.

Basic class schedule to be announced.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – Discussion about the Radio Interoperability Grant currently available through Office of Justice Assistance (OJA). Pre-application date is May 5th. Additional discussion related to Bayfield County as to whether to apply as individual services or have one pre-application developed by emergency management for agencies in the county. *Motion made by*

Dan Clark, seconded by Tom Renz, that Bayfield County Emergency Management develop the pre-application for the radio interoperability grant on behalf of all emergency service agencies. Motion carried. LAKE SUPERIOR RTAC (Regional Trauma Advisory Council) – Dan Diamon reported that the RTAC was finalizing Bylaws changes. The state has ordered triage tags in order to implement Triage Tuesday. WEEPP training checks will be delayed until June. Level III and IV hospitals will be implementing the Trauma Registry on July 1st. Providers were reminded of the importance of filling out the Glasgow Coma Score (GCS) and response times on run reports. This information is included with the hospital Trauma Registry information. A patient tracking document is under development. It will be sent to service representative by email for review and comment. MMC – The EMS room will continue to be in the same location as it is now. It will be somewhat larger and include two computers. Request to include a copy machine. COUNCIL WEBSITE – Gene Miller has made the suggestion that we change the website domain to an Advantex account in order to streamline the domain registration renewal. The added \$10 fee will appear on the first invoice of the year. *Motion made by Tom Renz, seconded by Tam Hofman, to put the domain registration on the Advantex account. Motion carried.* EMS WEEK – Scott Thimm announced that True North TV is going to ride-along with Ashland Fire during EMS Week. Melissa Gauge, reporter with True North, has agreed to do a story on the regional EMS system. Ashland Fire is having an open house/cook-out and car seat installation clinic at the Ellis Station from 10 – 2 on May 20th. HELICOPTER EMS – Discussion about need for education of emergency room physicians throughout the region related to the importance of calling for helicopter EMS from the field. ASHLAND FIRE – Wayne Chenier is Interim Chief of Ashland Fire. He has shown an interest in meeting with each service to foster relationships and build bridges among all EMS agencies. If you have an issue with Ashland medics, try to work it out with the crew after the call. If the issue is unresolved, call and ask for the officer in charge. SKYWARN – Skywarn weather spotter training is scheduled for Barnes at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, May 3rd at the Barnes Town Hall. NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the EMS Council is scheduled for Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 PM. ADJOURNMENT *Motion made by Scott Thimm, seconded by Tam Hofman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.*

IN ATTENDANCE

Ron Brendalen	Mellen
Merrilee Carlson	EMS Coordinator MMC
Dan Clark	Washburn
Steve Cordes	Mason
Dan Diamon	Gold Cross/Lake Superior RTAC
Chuck Elton	Washburn
Frank Koehn	South Shore
Dean Hambrecht	Great Divide
Tam Hofman	South Shore/APIIS
Ed Hofstrand	SMMC/Lifeflight

Jason Johnson	Apostle Islands National Lakeshore (APIS)
Cindy Lazorik	WITC/South Shore
Les Luder	Superior Fire
Tom Renz	Barnes
Mary Ross	Madeline Island
Scott Thimm	Ashland Fire
Gary Victorson	Iron River/Mason
Jan Victorson	Bayfield County EM
Keith Wesley	Medical Director